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BASB055 Polynucleotide and

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS **UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE**

Sir:

In response to the communication from the Patent Office mailed 20 August 2001, entitled "Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office," enclosed is the Declaration and Power of Attorney for this application, plus the duplicate copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of the Application form.

The \$130.00 surcharge for filing the missing parts of the application should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0258. Any overpayment or refund should be credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0258.

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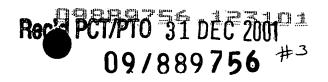
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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Sir:

This is in reply to the communication mailed 20 August 2001 from the Patent Office, entitled "Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures." A copy of the Notice is enclosed.

Submitted herewith is the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825.

STATEMENT

Applicant hereby states that the enclosed CRF diskette submitted herewith is identical to the paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" contained in the copy of International Publication No. WO 00/43517 which was submitted on July 20, 2001 for filing with the US Patent Office and contains no new matter.

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NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH EQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Applicant has submitted papers under 35 U.S.C. 371 to enter the national stage in the United States of America. The items indicated below, however, are missing. The period within which to correct the deficiency noted below and avoid abandonment is set forth in the accompanying Notification.

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):

The application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
This application does not contain, a "Sequence Listing" as a separate part of the
disclosure on paper copy or compact disc, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(c).
A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable format has not been submitted as
required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).
A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. The
content of the computer readable form, however, does not comply with the requirements of
37 CFR 1.822 and/or 1.832, as indicated on the attached marked-up copy of the "Raw
Sequence Listing."
The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be
damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A
substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.825(d).
The paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the
computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).
Other:
APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) of the "Sequence Listing."
An initial or substitute paper copy or compact disc of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an
amendment directing its entry into the specification.
A statement that the contents of the paper or compact disc and the computer readable form
are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 CFR
1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).
FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE
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